

#### TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

KEN GIVENS COMMISSIONER REGULATORY SERVICES
PLANT CERTIFICATION

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Dear Plant Producer or Plant Dealer/Landscaper:

Enclosed in this letter you will find information regarding the proper use of certificates and compliance documentation. Updates for Imported Fire Ant quarantined zones and Japanese Beetle regulated areas are also included. These zones may change from year to year.

Chapter 0080-06-01 Regulations Governing Nurseries, Greenhouses, Plant Dealers, Florists and Collected Plant Dealers has been revised. There will now be a **Landscaper Certificate** available. The updated rule also requires that wholesalers obtain a certificate from the person or firm purchasing nursery stock. **For more information regarding Plant Certification visit our web site at:** 

http://www.state.tn.us/agriculture/regulate/plants/

# I. Responsibilities of plant producers or plant dealer/landscapers located outside the regulated zones:

## A. Receiving shipments from a regulated zone:

*i.* Proper compliance documentation (IFA nursery stock from regulated areas requires a USDA shield) must be attached to the invoice.

**ii.** A copy of a valid inspection certificate from the state of origin, Department of Agriculture, must also accompany each shipment. Certificate number and expiration date must be included.

## B. Receiving shipments from non-regulated zones:

A copy of a valid inspection certificate from the state of origin, Department of Agriculture, must also accompany each shipment. Certificate number and expiration date must be included.

## C. <u>Sending shipments:</u>

A copy of your current valid Tennessee Department of Agriculture Certificate must be attached to your invoice.

# II. Responsibilities of plant producers or plant dealer/landscapers located within a regulated zone:

# A. Receiving shipments from zones regulated for the same pest:

A copy of a valid inspection certificate from the state of origin, Department of Agriculture, must also accompany each shipment. Certificate number and expiration date must be included.

## B. Sending shipments within the same regulated zone:

A copy of your current valid Tennessee Department of Agriculture Certificate must be attached to your invoice.

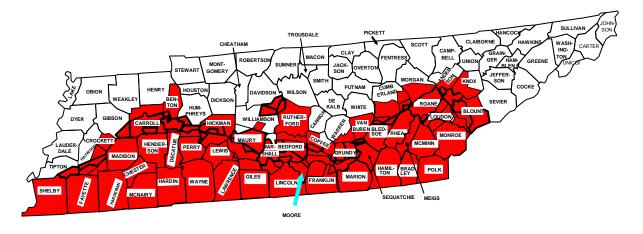
## C. Sending shipments outside the regulated zone:

- i. Provide compliance documentation (i.e. USDA shield or TDA Shipping Notification Form, etc.) which shows strict adherence to the requirements of the compliance protocols (i.e. treatments, grass/weed management, etc.).
- ii. A copy of your current valid Tennessee Department of Agriculture Certificate must be attached to your invoice.

**NOTE** - Records must be maintained for a minimum of three years in order to demonstrate that plant shipments comply with these requirements.

**NOTE** - A copy of your current valid Tennessee Department of Agriculture Certificate must be displayed at each sales location and plant installation work site and accompany plants during movement.

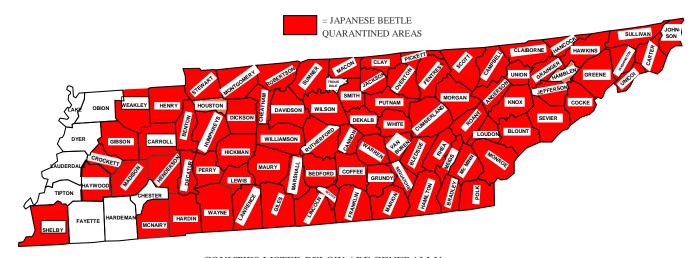
# 2007 TENNESSEE IFA Quarantine



= Imported Fire Ant Regulated Areas 2007

County by county descriptions of Imported Fire Ant Quarantine areas in Tennessee are available on line at: <a href="http://state.tn.us/agriculture/regulate/plants/ifa.html">http://state.tn.us/agriculture/regulate/plants/ifa.html</a> or through any Plant Certification Office

# TENNESSEE MAP INDICATING THE DISTRIBUTION OF JAPANESE BEETLE INFESTED AREA 2006



# COUNTIES LISTED BELOW ARE GENERALLY INFESTED WITH JAPANESE BEETLE

ANDERSON BEDFORD BENTON BLEDSOE BLOUNT BRADLEY CAMPBELL CANNON CARROLL CARTER	CHEATHAM CLAIBORNE CLAY COCKE COFFEE CROCKETT CUMBERLAND DAVIDSON DECATUR	DEKALB DICKSON FENTRESS FRANKLIN GIBSON GILES GRAINGER GREENE GRUNDY	HAMBLEN HAMILTON HANCOCK HARDIN HAWKINS HAYWOOD HENDERSON HENRY HICKMAN HOUSTON	HUMPHREYS JACKSON JEFFERSON JOHNSON KNOX LAWRENCE LEWIS LINCOLN LOUDON McMINN	McNAIRY MACON MADISON MARION MARSHALL MAURY MEIGS MONROE MONTGOMERY MOORE	MORGAN OVERTON PERRY PICKETT POLK PUTNAM RHEA ROANE ROBERTSON	RUTHERFORD SCOTT SEQUATCHIE SEVIER SHELBY SMITH STEWART SULLIVAN SUMNER TROUSDALE	UNICOI UNION VAN BUREN WARREN WASHINGTON WAYNE WEAKLEY WHITE WILLIAMSON WILSON
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